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[Translation]

Allocation to U.P. and M.P. for Promotion of Literacy

1578. SHRI PRABHU DAYAL KATHERIA:

SHRIMATI SUMITRA MAHAJAN:

SHRI VIRENDRA SINGH:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the funds provided by the Union Government to the State Governments of Uttar Pradesh and Madhya Pradesh Government during 1989-90 and 1990-91 respectively for promotion of literacy under various schemes;

(b) the growth rate of literacy in both States separately in the said years and how it compares with that of other States;

(c) the percentage of literate persons in these States and that of females therein; and

(d) the steps taken by the Union Government during the last two years for promotion of literacy in the said

States and the steps proposed to be taken in this regard during 1991-92?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) A statement indicating scheme-wise details of Central assistance for promotion of Literacy under Universalisation of Elementary Education, Non-formal Education and Adult Education to the State Governments of Uttar Pradesh and Madhya Pradesh during 1989-90 and 1990-91 is attached.

(b) The rate of growth of literacy in a particular State/U.T. is adjudged on the basis of the decennial Census figures. The average per annum rate of growth of literacy in U.P. and M.P. during the last decade works out to be 0.84% and 0.92%. In terms of comparative position, the State of U.P. and M.P. rank 27th and 26th position respectively.

(c) Literacy rate in U.P. and M.P. as per 1990-91 Census are 41.71% and 43.45% respectively. The female literacy rate in the two States are 26.02% and 28.39%.

(d) Universalisation of Elementary Education, programme on Non-Formal Education in educationally backward States and the National Literacy Mission which aims at imparting functional literacy to 80.00 million adult illiterates in the age-group of 15-35 form part of a large programme for eradication of illiteracy in the country.

STATEMENT

(Rs. in lakhs)

| Scheme | 1989-90 | | 1990-91 | |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| | U.P. | M.P. | U.P. | M.P. |
| (a) Universalisation of Elementary Education (Operation Black Board) | 2757.26 | .. | 860.94 | 1344.78 |
| (b) Non-Formal Education | 485.30 | 613.32 | 925.47 | 781.95 |
| (c) Adult Education | 815.82 | 670.60 | 900.44 | 543.97 |
| | 4058.38 | 1283.92 | 2686.85 | 2670.70 |